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The New Danger

THE question which the House of Commons debate on the Middle East poses is whether Sir Anthony Eden has been the victim of circumstances beyond his control, or of failing to act quickly and effectively on information previously in his possession.

The dismissal by King Hussein of General Glubb, the Arab Legion commander, has officially been described as a totally unexpected development. Nevertheless, London newspaper correspondents in the Middle East gave warning three weeks ago that a movement was on foot in Jordan to bring about the dismissal of General Glubb, and to effect "Jordanisation" of the Legion. If this was known to newspapermen, presumably the same intelligence was in the possession of the Foreign Office.

ILLUMINATINGLY, Sir Anthony Eden also admitted in the Commons debate that Egypt, for some time, has been pouring out propaganda aimed at bringing about the Glubb upheaval, discouraging Jordan from joining the Baghdad pact, and bringing about a crisis in Anglo-Jordan relations.

The British government's decision to recall 15 officers from Jordan, following the dismissal of General Glubb, while prompted by proper considerations, hardly compensates for the loss of prestige caused by King Hussein's contemptuous treatment of a British general who has for so many years given loyal and unstinting service to Jordan.

Sir Anthony Eden may have indisputably good reasons for refusing, as he did in the House of Commons, to disclose what his government's policy vis-a-vis Jordan will be in light of recent developments; yet he can hardly be surprised if some of his own supporters, as well as the Opposition, express anxiety and disappointment over his reticence.

IT is idle to pretend that the Baghdad pact is not threatened by the new alignment of Arab states which Egypt has so assiduously promoted. Not only is Jordan lost as a potential member of the alliance, but heavy pressure may soon be exerted on Iraq to abandon the "northern tier."

Another possibility emerging from the meeting between the leaders of Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Syria, is that Jordan may be persuaded to cut her traditional ties with Britain and elect to join the three Arab states in their so-called scheme for the co-ordination of defence.

Either of these two developments would seriously weaken the defensive strength of the Western democracies in the Middle East, rendering the area more and more susceptible to Soviet influence. Clearly a strongly-worded joint declaration by the United States and Britain is required at this time, serving as a reassurance to the Middle East countries, and a warning to Moscow.

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A wide selection of the latest and best available features from London and New York appear in tomorrow's big week-end edition of the China Mail.

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- ★ On Page 8 is the amazing story of Jennifer Johnson, 23, who has a new kind of voice—for she can sing seven octaves, the range of a whole piano.
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★ Sequel To Burgess And Maclean Case: PCs Advice To PM ★

SECURITY TO BE TIGHTENED

New Safeguards

Against  
REDS IN  
GOVT  
SERVICE

London, Mar. 8. Following sharp criticism of civil service security in parliamentary debates on the Burgess and Maclean case, security arrangements are to be tightened.

The Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, announced this in the House of Commons today.

A committee of Privy Counsellors set up by the Prime Minister three months ago to examine security in the public service released their report today.

They said there was "nothing organically wrong or unsound," with security arrangements.

But they recommended some tightening up of security procedures.

And here are some other comments they made on security in the civil service:

The chief security risks today were "presented by Communists and by other persons who for one reason or another are subject to Communist influence."

One of the chief security problems was "to identify the members of the British Communist Party, to be informed of its activities and to identify that wider body of sympathetic to Communism, or susceptible to Communist pressure, and present a danger to security."

"Therefore, steps must be taken to see that secret information is not handled by anyone who, for ideological or other motives, may betray it."

The committee, made up of seven ministers or former ministers and top civil servants, said it recognized that great importance must be paid today to character defects as factors tending to make a man unreliable or expose him to blackmail, or influence by foreign agents.

The statement was published as a white paper.

Sir Anthony Eden later told the House the Government proposed to give effect to all the recommendations suggested.

Reuter.

SHOW OF FORCE IN THE MED?  
AMERICANS SAY—NONSENSE

Washington, Mar. 8. Mr. Lincoln White, the State Department spokesman, said today there was no agreement between the United States and Britain for a show of force in the Mediterranean in an effort to calm tensions in the Middle East.

He discounted a report from London that a show of force had been agreed on. "I don't know what they are talking about," he told a press conference.

He pointed out that a sizable force—the United States sixth fleet—had been in the Mediterranean for many years.

He also called attention to yesterday's announcement that the United States was sending a battalion of Marines to the Mediterranean to replace a battalion withdrawn last summer.

Mr. White also said he was unaware of any early action to bring the Middle East crisis before the United Nations.

He had been asked if he knew anything to throw

light on President Eisenhower's call yesterday for "urgent and early action" by the United Nations to ease Middle East tensions.

He said the despatch of the Marine battalion was a "normal replacement operation."

Asked if a political decision was involved, Mr. White said the decision to send out the Marines was taken at the initiative of the Department of Defence.

Reuter.



M. Mollet



Sir Anthony Eden

Two Heads' To Hold  
Tete-a-tete Talks

London, Mar. 8. Only Sir Anthony Eden and M. Guy Mollet, Prime Minister of France, each with a single secretary, will be present at secret Anglo-French talks to be held on Sunday, authoritative sources said tonight.

TERRORIST  
BOMB KILLS  
CYPRIOT  
POLICEMAN

Nicosia, Mar. 8.

A Greek Cypriot policeman was killed tonight when terrorists threw a bomb at a police patrol car in Paphos.

The explosion injured four other policemen.

At Larnaca, southeast Cyprus, a British serviceman's wife was slightly injured in another terrorist bomb attack.

Bombs which exploded near a serviceman's home in Kyrenia and near a British army vehicle in Limassol caused no casualty or damage.

British troops meanwhile arrested two Greek Cypriots during a sweep of three villages in the mountains of southwest Cyprus.

They continued a search for terrorists and hidden arms supplies in forests around the villages.

Carnival Masks Ban

Wearing a mask during carnival week in Cyprus this year can bring up to seven years' imprisonment for the wearer, according to an official warning today.

Fancy dress parades and masked balls, traditionally marking the first week of Lent, before the Greek Easter have been banned this year under the emergency regulations which forbid all assemblies and processions.

A high proportion of terrorist killings in Cyprus over the last year have been committed by masked gunmen. —France-Press & China Mail Special.

Touched Wire—Died

Le Mans, Mar. 8. Louis Aiston, 21, a farm worker of Saint-Mars-de-Locquigny, shot himself by climbing a telegraph pole and grasping the high tension wires with his hands.

The police said it was suicide. —France-Press.

Privy Council  
Ruling  
On Hongkong  
Building

London, Mar. 8.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council decided today that a newly constructed property in Hongkong, which retained almost the whole of the old foundation on war damaged premises, could be classed as an "entirely new building."

The committee dismissed with costs an appeal by tenants of six properties in Landale Street, Victoria, Hongkong, who claimed they were protected from eviction because the buildings were not "entirely new" within the meaning of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance, 1947, of Hongkong.

Their landlord, Mr. Kam Chan, had claimed possession of the buildings.

The site was formerly occupied by a four-storey residential building which was almost totally demolished during the war.

Old Foundations

Temporary shops were built there which retained the old foundations and concrete floors, and the lower part of the old wall to an average height of three bricks above ground level.

Lord Cohen, giving judgment, said the committee agreed with the Hongkong appeal court that the words "entirely new" were used in relation to the building and not to the materials of which it was composed.

The correct test to be applied was whether the old building was so far beyond repair that it could no longer be said to exist as a building.

The appeal was brought by Pangchuen, Kamshing, and two firms named Kai Nam, and Hop Shing. —Reuter.

UN Secretary To  
Go To Russia

New York, Mar. 8.

Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, the United Nations Secretary-General, said today he plans to visit the Soviet Union this year when he makes a tour of the capitals of several member nations in Eastern Europe.

Mr. Hammarskjöld did not give any date for his trip but it is understood that he will travel in May.

He added that he also hopes to visit south-eastern Europe and Latin America. —Reuter.

Corinne Calvert  
Has A Boy

Santa Monica, Mar. 8. The French film star Corinne Calvert, wife of film star Jeff Stone, gave birth to a boy in the Santa Monica Clinic on Wednesday.

Both mother and child are reported doing well. —France-Press.

THIS TIME RUSSIANS  
MAY SAY... YES:  
NEW US ARMS PLAN

Washington, Mar. 8.

Mr. Harold Stassen, President Eisenhower's special assistant for disarmament, predicted today new American proposals to control nuclear weapons will be "more acceptable to Russia than anything that has been put forward so far."

Mr. Stassen will head the US delegation at another session of the United Nations Disarmament sub-Committee to start in London on March 19. The other participating countries are Britain, Russia, France and Canada. Mr. Stassen will leave for London on Saturday to consult in advance with the other Western delegates.

At a news conference today, Mr. Stassen said the American proposals will embody President Eisenhower's suggestion that the present stockpiles of nuclear weapons in Russia and the West be frozen at their present levels. Mr. Eisenhower made the proposal in a letter to the Soviet Premier, Marshal Nikolai Bulganin on March 1.

He said the United States would concentrate on these four points in its disarmament efforts:

- ★ To bring under control "the nuclear threat that hangs over the world."
- ★ To find a way to stop "the competitive arms build-up."
- ★ To open up nations "so as to guard against the possibility of great surprise attack."
- ★ To improve the world situation so there will be better prospects of lasting peace.

Mr. Stassen said the United States had just completed a full year of studying the disarmament picture, taking into account full effect of the H-bomb. He said the last month itself had been "an intensive month of decision making."

"The U.S. delegation will go to London determined to explore every avenue," he said. —United Press.

THE A-BOMB  
LINE-UP

Washington, Mar. 8.

Nobel Prize winner for chemistry, Dr. Harold Urey, estimated today the United States had 35,000 atomic bombs—and the Soviet Union 10,000.

Dr. Urey, a member of the group of scientists who made the first atomic bomb, said this supposition was entirely logical.

He said that, if the United States and the Soviet Union were to make a complete exchange of information on their bomb stocks, they would neither of them learn much that they did not know already.

Dr. Urey was speaking in a sub-committee of the United States House of Representatives. —France-Press.

Mr. Stassen based his optimism on the fact that the United States has now offered to "move downward" on the level of nuclear weapons if proper safeguards can be agreed upon.

He said the United States will be ready in London "to move in a practical and sound manner in this field of regulating and controlling modern armament."

He said he will be armed with Government and Presidential decisions enabling him to "move forward in the disarmament negotiations."

President Eisenhower's letter appeared to be the opening move in an effort to get a disarmament agreement.

President said the United States would be prepared to put a ceiling on future nuclear weapons production if proper safeguards can be established.

He Tells Why

Asked whether the new U.S. proposals will be more acceptable to Russia than previous American plans, Mr. Stassen replied "Yes."

Asked why, he said: "Because we added on to the President's 'open skies' proposal affirmative indications that we would in fact move downward in the levels of arms and move down in the size of the nuclear threat if the opening steps of the Eisenhower and Bulganin proposals were complemented."

Mr. Stassen was saying the United States proposal should at least meet part of Russia's objections to earlier U.S. efforts to get disarmament started immediately with the President's "open skies" plan of mutual aerial inspection.

The United States at that time wanted the other phases of disarmament left for later negotiations.

Mr. Stassen emphasized that any U.S. agreement on disarmament would come only if the agreement included proper inspection.

EVIDENCE IN S'PORE  
COURT MARTIAL

Major Tells  
Of Dispute  
With Captain

Singapore, Mar. 8.

A British Army major gave evidence in his own defence at a general Court Martial today.

He is Major Albert Leonard Henderson, aged 38, of the Royal Army Ordnance Corps, former Officer Commanding, 443 Base Ammunition Depot.

Major Henderson has pleaded not guilty to two charges of failing to report that an ammunition store had been broken into and that 2,400 electric detonators were missing.

Today he denied that another officer had reported to him that the detonators were missing on the day the loss was discovered.

In earlier evidence, Captain J. M. Gaff, R.A.O.C., told the Court that when he reported to Major Henderson on September 17 that the store had been broken into, the major had told him they had better forget about it.

Tried To Cover Up

Captain Gaff said that he had then tried to cover up the loss. Major Henderson told the Court he had first heard about the loss on November 10.

On that occasion Captain Gaff said to him in undercoated field security knew all about "the break-in and loss at the ammunition store."

Major Henderson said that Captain Gaff was "extremely white" at this stage.

Captain Gaff had told him that if he did not say anything about it, he would not say anything about it.

Major Henderson said he was extremely angry with Captain Gaff and told him to get out of his office.

Major Henderson said he was shocked to think that an officer under his command had knowledge of the loss and did not report it.

Major Henderson said he was also shocked at Captain Gaff's suggestion that even at that stage he was quite prepared not to say anything about it.

He said he told the Director of Ordnance Services the same day. "The situation is an impossible one and I am no longer prepared to accept Captain Gaff in my depot and under my command."

Major Henderson said that he thought security arrangements at his depot were "as good as could be."

The hearing was adjourned until tomorrow. —Reuter.

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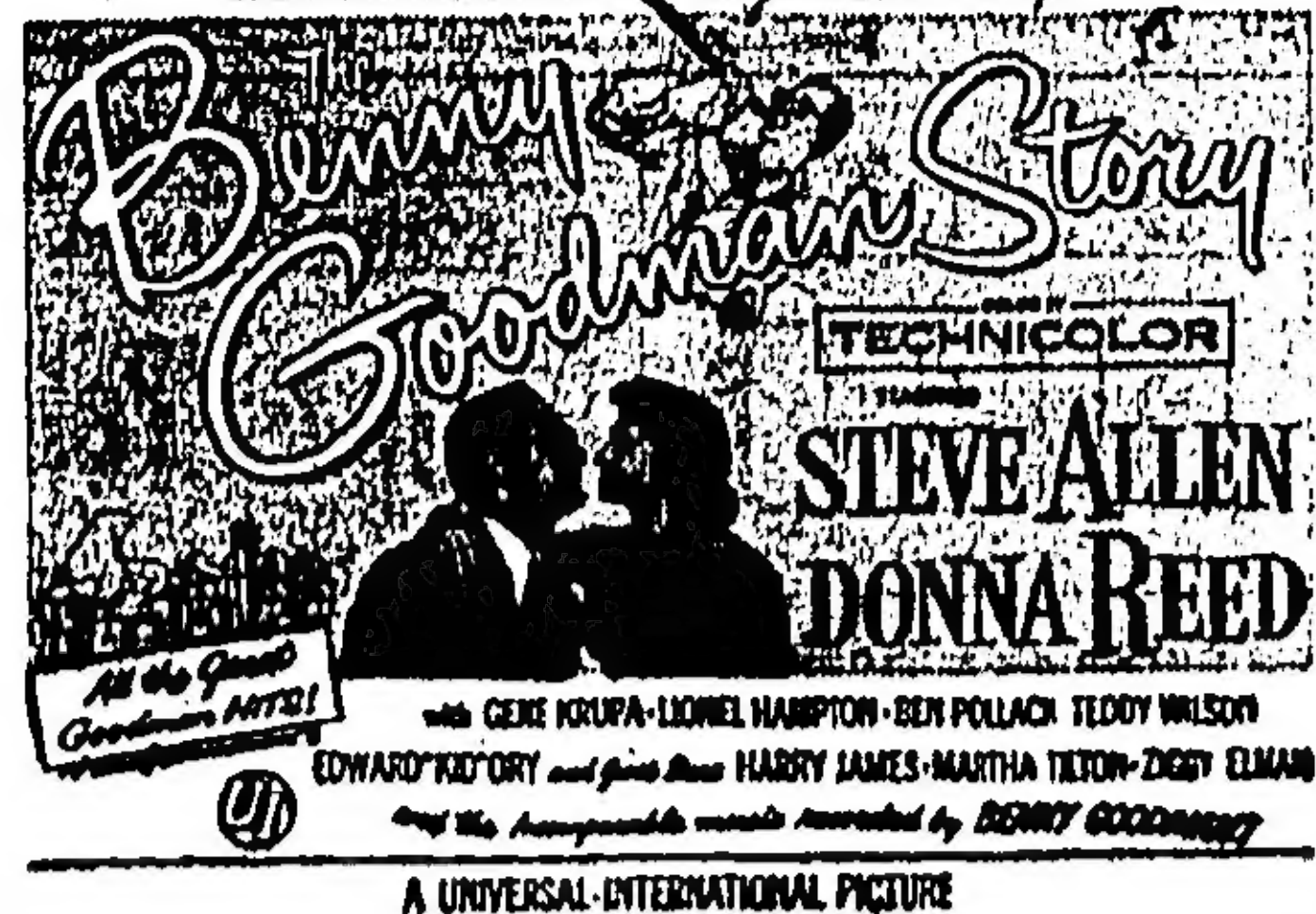
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# IKE REFUSES TO NOMINATE NIXON

## Vice-President Placed On Political Spot

Washington, Mar. 8.

Several factors emerge from the confusion clouding President Eisenhower's real intention as to Vice-President Richard M. Nixon and the No. 2 place on the 1956 Republican ticket.

1. Some of Mr Nixon's friends are very glum these days.
2. The White House was told by Mr Eisenhower himself that he had raised the question whether Mr Nixon would or should be on the ticket.
3. Mr Eisenhower has put the Vice-President on a hot political spot.
4. Mr Nixon's strength lies among organisation Republicans from National Committee Chairman Leonard W. Hall down to the grass roots.

### Backers Jolted

Until Mr Eisenhower refused at the news conference last week to endorse Mr Nixon for renomination, it generally had been assumed here that the President wanted to run again with his young friend. His every public reference to him had been in praise.

Many of Mr Nixon's backers were jolted by last week's news conference decision to postpone any expression of choice for a Vice-President until after the Republican National Convention had nominated its Presidential candidate.

The news broke since then—largely leaked from the White House or from personal Presidential pals—have further jolted the renominate-Nixon brigade. The latest shocks came when a nationally circulated news magazine hit the stands a few hours before Mr Eisenhower's news conference yesterday.

### Up To Nixon

Newsweek magazine reported at length that the matter of No 2 place on the Republican ticket still was up in the air.

Mr Eisenhower followed shortly in response to news conference questions with more high praise for Mr Nixon. But he uttered a stone-walled refusal to name him for renomination.

On the contrary, the President confirmed the backbone of the reports already in print—that it was up to Mr Nixon to decide his political future.

It added up about to this: the President regards Mr Nixon highly, he would accept him as a running mate, but he refuses to ask the party at this time to name him again.

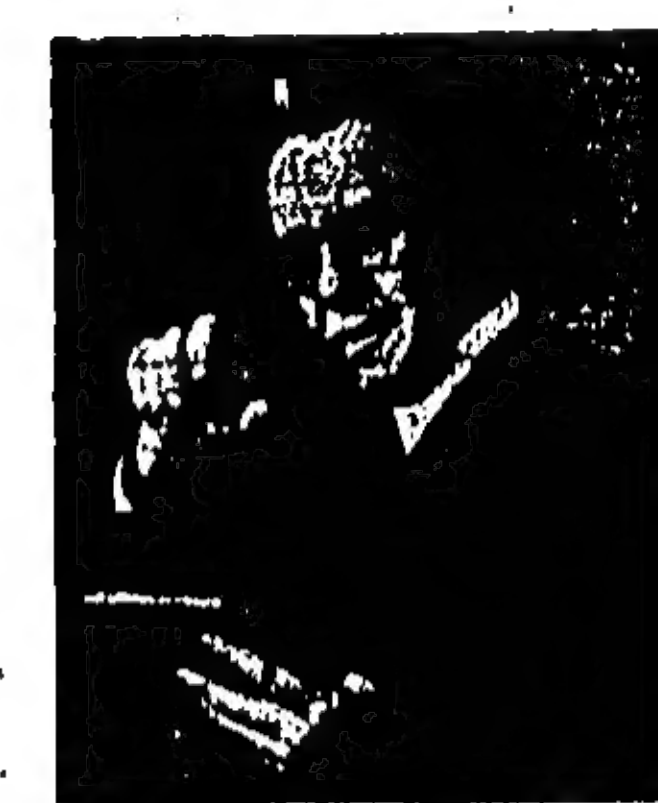
"I have no criticism of Vice-President Nixon to make," Mr Eisenhower said yesterday, "either as a man, as an associate or as my running mate on the ticket."

But he didn't say: "I want him, or even, I would be pleased to have him." It's a free convention, so far.

### Cheered

In the meantime, Mr Nixon's supporters were cheered yesterday by an ovation given the Vice-President when he appeared unexpectedly at a lunch for Republican women gathered here from all parts of the United States. The women are grassroots political professionals, close to the party organisation.—United Press.

## MPs VISITING MALAYA



Herbert Morrison

London, Mar. 8.  
A group of members of Parliament leave on Saturday for Singapore and Malaya.

They were given a send-off lunch at the House of Commons today by the United Kingdom branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.

Lord Munster (Deputy Chairman) presided.

Delegates present were Mr Herbert Morrison, Mr Fred Blackburn, Mr A. J. Champion, Mr Gilbert Longden and Sir Leonard Ropack.

Also at the lunch were Lord Bailieu, General Sir Gerald Templer, Sir John Martin, Mr C. W. Dupleton, Major J. G. Lockhart and Mr R. V. Vanderfelt.—France-Press.

## Rare Antelope On Menu

Tokyo, Mar. 8.  
The Government threatened prosecution on Wednesday when a rare Japanese antelope was found on the menu of a Tokyo restaurant.

Kamo-Shika, a Japanese antelope which is protected as a natural treasure in Japan, is being served at a restaurant that also specialises in deer, boar and monkey.

Hiso Hayashi, a Ueno zoo official, investigated and found the carcass of the antelope in the restaurant's meat locker. He was reported "on the verge of tears."

The Forestry Agency promised to investigate and prosecute the hunter and the dealer.

There are only an estimated 2,000 to 3,000 Kamo-Shika still living in the forests of Japan.—United Press.

## MORE CLASHES IN MOROCCO

Rabat, Mar. 8.

Two security troops were killed in a clash with terrorists between Fez and Taza today, it was reported tonight.

Other incidents reported today were: a Moroccan policeman was kidnapped by armed terrorists in Taza and one Moroccan was killed and another seriously injured outside Oujda by unidentified assailants.

It was also learned from an official source here tonight that 12 rebels were killed in the clash with security forces near Bouard on Tuesday night.

In Rabat this evening, Premier Si Bekkal had an interview with the French Army Inspector—General, General Blanc, who is on a tour of inspection in Morocco.

### Moroccan Army

It was understood that the two men discussed the question of forming a Moroccan army. Earlier Si Bekkal talked with the French military commander of the Meknes, Agadir and Oujda regions of Morocco.

Si Bekkal and General Blanc are dining tonight with the French High Commissioner, M. Andre Dubois.—France-Press.

## Carrier Planes Destroy 'Sitting Ducks'

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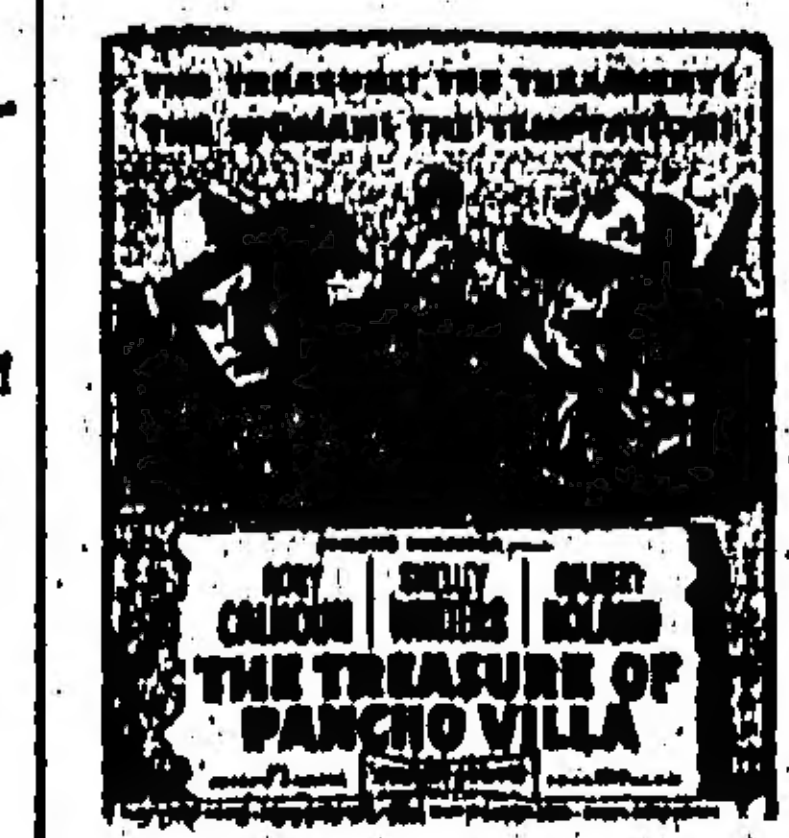
Apart from these Sunderlands and Venoms, however, Royal Navy aircraft met no shore-based defensive aircraft throughout the day and were able to fly to and from two carriers 200 miles out to sea at will.

Anti-submarine aircraft performed exercises with the screen of one cruiser and seven destroyers that protected the two light fleet aircraft carriers, Albion and Centaur, which put in roughly half each of the sorties over Malaya.—Reuter.

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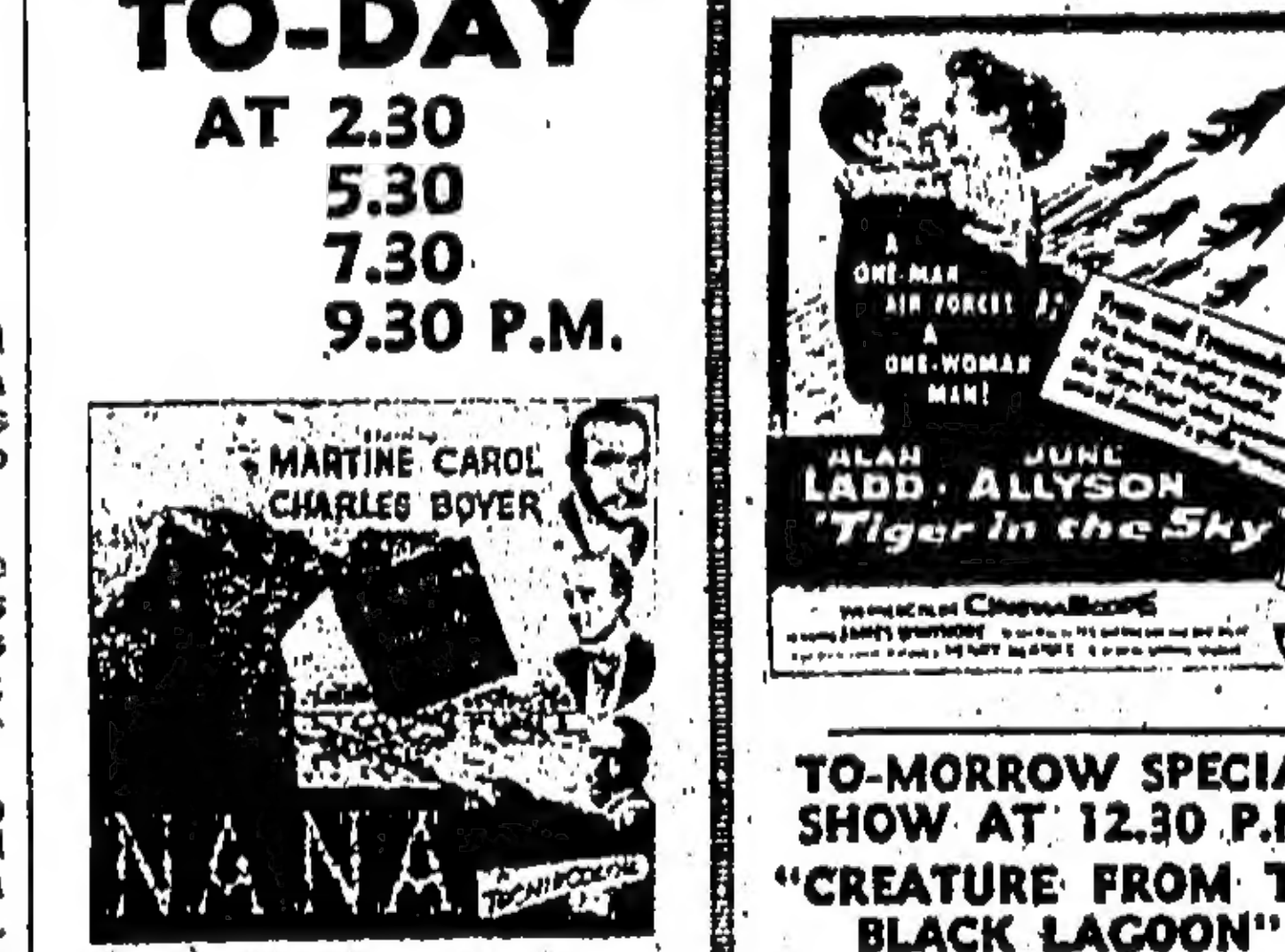
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# Britain Unable To Support

## Pakistan On Kashmir

By Stanley Priddle

Karachi, Mar. 8.

The political highlight of the three-day SEATO conference ending today was Pakistan's pressure for support on the disputes with India over Kashmir and with Afghanistan over "Pushtunistan" to offset Russian "interference."

It opened with a split between Pakistan and Britain when Mr Selwyn Lloyd, British Foreign Secretary, said publicly that the issue was not suitable for discussion in SEATO.

The British delegation said later that Mr Lloyd meant "the merits of the dispute" were unsuitable for discussion, and in fact the merits had not been talked about by the Council.

### Carefully Worded

The reference to Kashmir in the communiqué was carefully worded to avoid giving offence to India, which itself is committed to the United Nations resolution calling for a plebiscite, and has participated in direct negotiations with Pakistan about the conditions for a vote.

Many delegates, nevertheless, fear inclusion of reference to Kashmir might arouse the indignation of Indian public opinion even if the Delhi Government is not upset.

The Indians say Pakistan's membership of SEATO has aggravated relations over Kashmir.

They are therefore unlikely to take kindly to a declaration from SEATO itself expressing the "need for an early settlement."

The next few days should tell whether fears of some delegates, that the Kashmir reference might exacerbate Indo-Pakistan tensions, are justified.

The Council said it attributed what it called a "seeming" shift of Communist tactics towards the overthrow of elected governments by guile instead of violence, to defence measures of the anti-Communist powers.

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## WOMEN WANT EQUALITY

Singapore, Mar. 8.

More than 10,000 women and Chinese high school girls met here today to call for "political, social and economic equality" as they celebrated International Women's Day.

They pledged themselves to unite together and "fight for a peaceful and independent Malaya."

They asked the Colony Government to adopt legislation for the protection of all women and to declare March 8 a public holiday.

UNION MEMBERS

All Chinese high schools were closed for the day and 8,000 workers belonging to the Shop and Factory Workers Union also held a meeting.

The women cheered Lee Kuan Yew, secretary of the left-wing People's Action Party, when in an address to them he said "We cannot expect women to participate fully in this society where one man can have three wives and four concubines and where women are not given a full education and are looked upon as playthings."

ACTRESS MUST TAKE CASE TO NEW YORK

Los Angeles, Mar. 8.

A \$2,500,000 libel suit by actress Elizabeth Scott against Confidential magazine has been quashed in court here because the publication has no California representatives, and attorney Jerry Giesler said he would refile the suit in New York Federal Court.

The actress sued on grounds that an article in the magazine "maliciously, libelously and falsely" depicted her as "indecent, prone to illegal and highly offensive acts" in public and private life.

Elizabeth Scott

Mr Giesler said he also would refile in New York a \$2,000,000 suit by actor Robert Mitchum against the magazine if it also is quashed here.

Superior Judge Leon T. David quashed the suit yesterday after the magazine's attorney, Mr H.F. Birnbaum, argued that Confidential was not published in California, where it is merely turned over to a distributor who bought it for circulation.

United Press.

Victory For Diem

Saigon, Mar. 8.

The "National Revolutionary Movement" which supports President Ngo Dinh Diem, won an absolute majority in last Sunday's South Vietnam general elections, according to the latest election returns, published by the Ministry of Information tonight.

France-Press.

Tengku Investigates Malaya Trouble Spots

Kuala Lumpur, Mar. 8.

TENGKU Abdul Rahman, Chief Minister, today made his first trip to Federation trouble spots in a campaign to turn the anti-Communist emergency into a "people's war."

Travelling by helicopter and escorted by a small police jungle squad he arrived at Tampin, Central Malaya, today.



Against a jungle background, trimly-costumed Pan-American receptionist Tonia Newell apprehensively views the fearsome hunting knife shown her by film star Gordon Scott at Elstree Studios, Hert. Gordon invited Tonia to Elstree after meeting her in Pan-American's London office where he went to check his ticket back to Hollywood.—Reuter Photo.

## Trotsky May Get A Mention In History After All

Moscow, Mar. 8.

The Soviet Communist Party newspaper, Pravda, today attacked "Trotskyites" and said they had worked against the Communist Party and the alliance of Russian peasants and workers.

There has been speculation that Leon Trotsky, one of the leaders of the Bolshevik revolution, will be rehabilitated now that Soviet leaders have attacked the "personality cult" associated with Stalin's rule.

(Trotsky lost to Stalin in the race for power after Lenin's death. He was deported from Russia in 1929, and eventually was assassinated in Mexico in 1940).

Has Been Taboo

The Pravda article—on the anniversary of the Communist Party's 10th Congress in 1921—was the latest in a series of comments suggesting that Trotsky will now be mentioned in Soviet histories and his activities criticised.

Mention of Trotsky has been virtually taboo in recent years. The Pravda article referred to Trotskyites in condemnation of "people who tried to distract" the Communist Party from its urgent tasks.

The article claimed that Trotsky's group never knew the working movement well and wanted to "turn the screws" on the masses rather than use persuasion.

Franker Appraisal

The article was written by Mr Grigory Petrovsky, 78-year-old Bolshevik who for many years was a candidate member of the Communist Party, Politburo.

In 1939 he was relegated to a minor post as deputy-director of Moscow's Revolution Museum.

Mr Petrovsky's appearance as a writer in Pravda was taken as a further sign of the resurrection of many of the "old Bolsheviks" who fell into disfavor during Stalin's time, partly through their association or alleged association with opposition leaders such as Trotsky and Bukharin.

Observers, however, do not believe that these leaders will themselves be rehabilitated though in the future their role

Before returning to Kuala Lumpur the Tengku said: "The people have to know more about the emergency, for many of them are in the dark. We must tell them more to get their co-operation."

He said that shopkeepers, small farmers and others would be invited to join their local war executive committees.

He said that the Emergency Operations Council, of which he is Minister for Internal Defence and Security is chairman, also would consider forming war committees in small villages.

At present government officials, police and army men form the majority of the committees which plan local anti-Communist operations.

## Price Supports Legislation

## VICTORY FOR EISENHOWER

Washington, Mar. 8.

The Senate today handed President Eisenhower a thumping legislative victory by defeating a Democratic-led attempt to restore high rigid price supports on basic farm crops.

The roll call vote was 54 to 41 against fixed supports.

The defeated Farm Bill provision would have provided for 80 per cent price props on cotton, corn, peanuts and rice.

Voting against 90 per cent supports were 41 Republicans and 13 Democrats. Favouring high fixed supports were six Republicans and 35 Democrats.

Senate Republican leaders, jubilant after their hard-won victory, also were geared to stamp down another provision calling for 90 per cent supports on millable wheat and lower supports for poorer grades.

The vote was a resounding triumph for President Eisenhower on just about the hottest political issue to come before the election-year Congress so far.

He has repeatedly voiced unalterable opposition to 80 per cent supports.

EVERY SENATOR

Every Senator showed up to vote on the levels support. There were 95 votes cast. One Senate seat was left vacant by the recent death of Sen. Harley M. Kilgore. No successor has been appointed.

Senate officials said it was the first perfect turnout for a Senate roll call since January 27, 1936, when all 95 Senators voted on overriding a Presidential veto of the soldiers bonus bill.

Then, as now, one seat was vacant—a successor had not been chosen for the assassinated Sen. Huey P. Long.

This bill had already been passed by the House, but in a slightly different form, so the measure must eventually go back to the House for concurrence. The Democrats control the Senate 48 to 47, with one vacancy.—United Press.

## American Protestants For Moscow

Moscow, Mar. 8.

Nine American Protestant leaders are scheduled to arrive here on Saturday to confer with members of the Russian Orthodox Church.

The delegation will be headed by Dr Eugene Carson Blake, President of the American National Council of Churches.

The Americans, who suggested the meeting, have proposed discussions on efforts of the two churches to further peace, freedom of the churches to accept their people's needs, Christianity and other religious, Christian education, modern science, theological education, Christian literature, and relations among churches in the United States and in the Soviet Union.

Members of the Russian Orthodox Church are scheduled to visit the United States in June.—France-Press.

## TANZAN COMES OUT OF THE ELSTREE 'JUNGLE'



Against a jungle background, trimly-costumed Pan-American receptionist Tonia Newell apprehensively views the fearsome hunting knife shown her by film star Gordon Scott at Elstree Studios, Hert. Gordon invited Tonia to Elstree after meeting her in Pan-American's London office where he went to check his ticket back to Hollywood.—Reuter Photo.

## Deserter Leads East German Air Force

Berlin, Mar. 8.

The West Berlin Anti-Communist Information Bureau West reported today that Heniz Kessler, who deserted from the Wehrmacht to the Russians in 1941, has been appointed commander of the East German Air Force at the age of 36.

Kessler joined the "National Committee of Free Germany" after his desertion and returned home in the wake of the Soviet Army. He spent four years as chairman of the "Free German Youth" in East Berlin before taking a high administrative post in the Peoples Police Force in 1950.

A franker appraisal of the earlier revolutionary events was also seen in Mr Petrovsky's article, which admitted that there were shortages of fuel and bread in 1921, that starvation and typhus were rampant, and that workers and peasants were dissatisfied.—China Mail Special.

The information Bureau West claims that Kessler has been in charge of air units in the Barack Police Force since 1952 as a Major-General, and that his new appointment carries promotion to the rank of Lieutenant-General.—Reuter.

## Syrian Premier Flies To Amman

Cairo, Mar. 8.

The Syrian Premier, Said el Ghazzi, flies to Amman tonight with a note and verbal message for King Hussein of Jordan from the conference of Egyptian, Syrian and Saudi Arabian leaders here.

Arab diplomatic sources have said that the young King might be invited to the conference if sufficient progress is made on the question of Arab financial aid to Jordan to replace British grants.

The sources said a meeting between King Hussein and three other Arab leaders either here or in Amman—would go a long way toward winning Jordan over to the Egyptian-led Arab states and away from Iraq, a member of the British-backed Baghdad Pact.

Buraihi Dispute

The three leaders—Lieutenant-Colonel Gamal Abdel Nasser, Egyptian Premier, President Shukri el Kuatli of Syria and King Saud—also discussed ways of reaching a peaceful settlement of Britain's dispute with Saudi Arabia over the Buraimi oasis.

Official conference sources said they discussed the occupation of the oasis by British-led Arab forces last year after arbitration broke down.—Reuter.

## Egypt's Turn To Complain

Gaza, Mar. 8.

Egypt has lodged a complaint with the Mixed Armistice Commission that an Israeli post opened fire today on an Egyptian post in the Gaza sector.

The Egyptian retaliated, suffering no casualties. Truce observers are investigating.—Reuter.

Stockholm, Mar. 8.

A Government bill to lower income tax from next year was presented to the Swedish Parliament today.

The proposed cuts range from 1.5 per cent for the lower incomes to 2.7 per cent for the higher incomes.—Reuter.

## EGYPT WILL GET TRAINER PLANES

Ottawa, Mar. 8.

Canada's Prime Minister, Mr Louis St Laurent, said today that his Government would not interfere with the completion of an Egyptian order for Harvard training aircraft.

Sale of the 15 Harvards by the Canada Car and Foundry Limited of Montreal was authorised last July by the Trade Minister, Mr C. D. Howe.

The first three aircraft were shipped in January. Nine of the remaining 12 are now at Halifax awaiting shipment.—Reuter.

## River Trip For Malay Honeymooners

Alor Star, Mar. 8.

A romantic honeymoon river trip in an ornate river barge awaits beautiful Tunku (princess) Bahiyah when she returns with her bridegroom, the heir to the Malay throne of Kedah, from their wedding in her father's royal capital.

Thirty crag kayo (oarsmen) in colourful native dress will row the barge along the winding Kedah River to the rhythm of ancient Malay music.

A water festival will be the highlight of three days of celebrations to welcome the 24-year-old bride to her new home.

FEAST LATER

Three other decorated barges carrying Malay royalty will accompany the newlyweds on the first part of their journey.

The people of Kedah will see the girl who may one day become their Sultanah as her barge glides along the river under the light of multi-coloured flood-lights.

There will later be a feast and a garden party to welcome her.—Reuter.

## STRIKE OVER AT AIRPORT

Paris, Mar. 8.

Technicians at Orly air terminal and airports at Bordeaux and Marseilles resumed work this evening after a 24-hour strike.

Traffic immediately began to get back to normal.—France-Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle

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ACROSS  
3 Disagreements (8).  
7 Happen (5).  
8 School of thought (8).  
10 Fit for cultivation (8).  
13 Drive back (7).  
16 Hearty (4).  
17 Attempted (7).  
18 Fruit course (7).  
20 Summons (4).  
21 Narrowed to a point (7).  
26 Right by which property is held (6).  
27 Beneficiaries under a will (8).  
28 Vestige (5).  
29 Vessels (8).

DOWN  
1 Tooth (5).  
2 Fight (5).  
3 Bore (5).  
4 Common fund (4).  
5 Doubly effective (10).  
6 Entitled (6).  
9 Abandon (6).  
11 Allude to (8).  
12 Exploded (6).  
14 Property (6).  
15 Refuge (5).  
16 Impart pressure (6).  
18 Resides (6).  
19 Unmarried (6).  
20 Summons (4).  
21 Narrowed to a point (7).  
26 Right by which property is held (6).  
27 Beneficiaries under a will (8).  
28 Vestige (5).  
29 Vessels (8).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Schism, 5 Meets, 8 Caper, 9 Sprout, 10 Divan, 11 Mimic, 12 Emily, 13 Chick, 15 Scold, 16 Tugboat, 20 Ensign, 22 Army, 23 Clasp, 25 Might, 26 Tarned, 27 Boats, 28 Deter, 29 Shrive. Down: 1 Suspense, 2 Harriers, 3 Burn, 4 Malinee, 5 Medical, 6 Elucid, 7 Trade, 14 Terminus, 15 Dialogue, 16 Speller, 17 Dangers, 19 Buchro, 21 Nalvo, 24 Seal.

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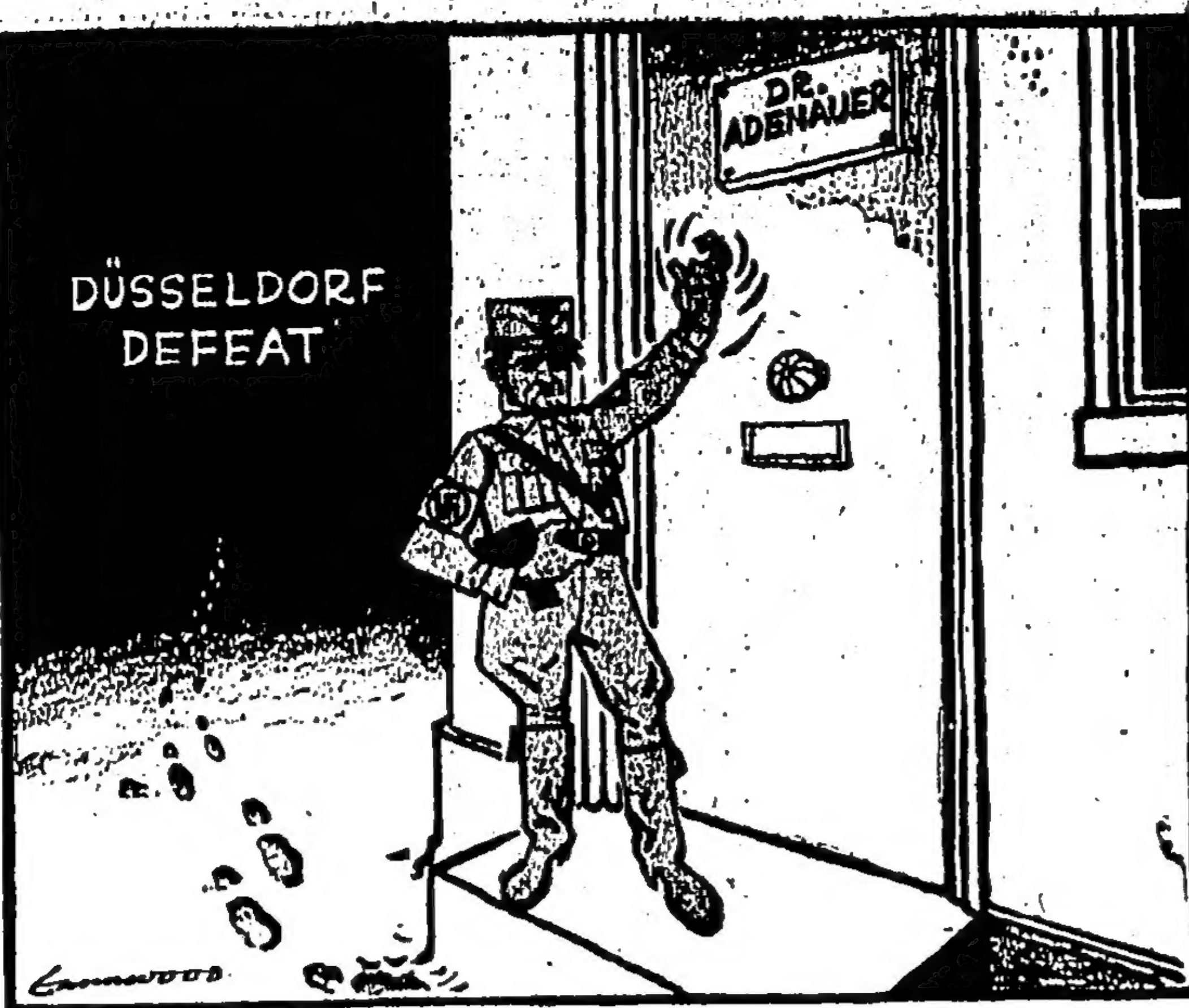
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**POLIO**

**—why I'm not having  
my children done—yet**

I AM taking the coward's way out of deciding whether to have my children inoculated with the new vaccine against polio. I am going to wait and see if other people's children react safely to the vaccine first.



by  
**CHAPMAN  
PINCHER**

**Am I going back on  
what I have written  
before...? I'll tell you  
why I don't think so**

This must sound a terrible admission from one who has consistently championed the vaccine. The explanation is simply that I find it is one thing to write as a detached scientist and another to decide as a devoted father.

Instead of dealing dispassionately with "units of personnel" in a statistical table I am now intimately concerned with Michael and Patricia—two immensely lovable scallywags who are not only their father's delight but his sole stake in the future.

**'I AM HAUNTED'**

I KNOW that the Salk vaccine has almost certainly saved thousands of U.S. and Canadian children from contracting polio. But I am haunted by the torment of the parents of those 60 children who died or were crippled by the disease after being inoculated with a faulty batch of vaccine.

Emotion has triumphed over logic. I have decided to play safe.

Fortunately for my scientific conscience there are real reasons for my caution. I do not like the way the vaccine is being rushed into use.

Why did the Health Ministry announce the trials of the vaccine so suddenly that the medical profession was not told or consulted first?

I know of one professor deeply involved in the work who did not know about the trials until he read about them in the newspaper.

Why was the announcement made by the Health Minister, Mr Robin Turton, in a pompous televised speech?

Privately, Health Ministry and Medical Research Council officials deplored the way the Americans in a blaze of publicity launched the vaccine produced by Dr Jonas Salk.

Some of them believe that the accidental infections were due to the way the vaccine was rushed into use through political pressure.

I was present at Mr Turton's announcement and have

never seen such ineptitude by experts assembled to answer questions.

So many inaccurate replies were given that it was clear the experts had been given no time to brief themselves on the issue.

Suspicion that the Medical Research Council chiefs had been bulldozed into going faster than they had intended was inescapable.

Let me assert this:—I have the fullest confidence that safe effective vaccines against polio will be developed.

But I am far from happy about those to be used in the forthcoming trials.

Health Ministry officials feel confident that any risk of the kind of incident in vaccine manufacture which infected the U.S. children is now negligible.

**NEW, UNTRIED**

THE virulent strain of polio germ—the Mahoney strain—responsible for most of the infections is not being used in the British vaccines. But the public should know that the strain to be used instead is new, and untried on humans.

The trials of these new vaccines could in truth be called experiments, and I do not feel I have the right—apart from the courage—to submit my children to them.

Super-stringent safety precautions to test each batch of vaccine have been devised by the Medical Research Council. But they are on the same lines as the American tests. And I cannot forget that the U.S. factory where the fatal batch

was made belonged to a farm-rate farm with a high reputation for the safe production of dangerous drugs.

The method of killing the germs used in America—treating with formalin—is to be used in Britain. Experience has proved that it can fail.

There are other curious features about these trials. For instance, they are to be carried out on children aged two to nine. Yet nobody knows whether the vaccine will be effective for children under six. Almost all the U.S. and Canadian experience has been with older children.

**MY SUSPICIONS**

I KNOW that the younger ones are more susceptible to attack. But surely it would have been more prudent to restrict the first trials of a new vaccine to the older children.

I freely admit that my suspicions may be ill-founded—and I hope they are. They may be mainly unconscious justifications for my lack of courage in putting my principles into practice. If so the minds of many of my friends are working in the same way.

I shall feel guilty if either of my youngsters contracts polio next summer.

But the chance is small and as the vaccine is not expected to be more than about 60 per cent effective, I shall have the consolation that they might have gone down with it anyway.

If they developed the disease as a direct result of being vaccinated on my orders I could never forgive myself.

of artists who have starved throughout their lives only to secure a posthumous recognition. This seems a little unreasonable to Buffet. Last week he took time off to write his views on this point to a Communist literary weekly.

"I do not see," he wrote, "why art should use the servants' entrance." And on the subject of his Rolls-Royce he made the sensible point: "This is not really extravagance. I think this car will last me 20 times as long as one of cheaper make."

**SECRET SOS**

A PARIS newspaper has produced a theory that Burgess's request that money paid to him for a Sunday newspaper article should be donated to the National Lifeboat Association was a secret SOS.

**PROFITEERING**

LEERS cost almost as much as a car in Paris today. This is a result of the cold weather, which has produced wholesale profiteering by some grocers.

Leeks are now priced at 5s. a lb. A friend of mine bought two leeks and one carrot.

**ONLY 500**

There are some 70,000 painters in France, of whom only about 500 succeed in making a living out of their work. Buffet's success has inevitably produced a rancorous envy in Paris art circles.

On all sides he is being advised to follow the example of

Paris. At 28, painter Bernard Buffet is Big Business. He is the richest painter in France after Picasso, and he is probably earning now about £40,000 a year. He has achieved all this in eight short years, during which time he has amassed a fortune both for himself and his dealer, 55-year-old Emmanuel David.

**THE ARTIST BUYS A ROLLS-ROYCE**  
• M. Bernard Buffet, who in eight years has become France's most prolific and second richest painter, says: "It is an economy, really. It will last longer than a cheaper car."

working for him on a salary of £15 a week. Buffet has painted 2,000 pictures since then, the lowest priced at £500.

This is a greater output in seven years than Renoir, the most prolific painter in French history, achieved in a life span of 70 years. It is a measure of the importance painting has gained as a serious financial investment in present unsettled times.

**NO CONTRACT**

M. David's best markets for Buffets are in France, U.S.A., Switzerland, Britain and Italy, in that order.

What is Buffet's present contract with David? "There is no contract," he told me. "I am more of his friend than his agent. I had faith in Buffet when he was unknown. He has never forgotten this. We trust each other."

Buffet's work is highly stylised with frequent switches of colouring and themes. His

# A New Champion Takes On Inflation

By **RONALD BOXALL**

THE House of Commons listened in silence while a back-bencher accused his Party leaders of mismanaging the country's economic affairs. There were no cheers of encouragement for the speaker from the Opposition, for he had already made it plain what he thought of their efforts to cure past inflation.

The speaker, Conservative MP Sir Robert Boothby, was never a man to mince his words. Crippled austerity, he said, had resulted in devaluation. Mr Butler's "dash for free-

dom" had landed Britain in its present position. "The record of both parties in this matter," he said, "is pretty lousy."

His speech voiced the exasperation that is felt in the country at the failure of successive Governments to halt the relentless rise of prices. The trouble now, we are told, is that Britain has become caught up in an investment boom. Industry is building so many new factories and installing so much new plant that the economy is sagging under the strain. Yet less than two years ago there was equal concern because investment in new means of production was stagnating.

**Omission**

ONE of the most glaring omissions in the statistics available to Government economists until recently were figures showing how much investment was planned by private industry. Happily, the Board of Trade has now partially remedied this omission; and it was what they discovered when they asked private industrialists how much they planned to spend on new buildings, plant, machinery and other means of production in 1956 that convinced Mr Macmillan that his attack on inflation should be aimed chiefly at industrial investment.

But to go back for a moment. In 1954, Britain spent less on new fixed capital in proportion to national product than any other non-Communist European country, except Greece. Earlier that year, Mr Butler had taken action in his Budget to encourage more investment. His so-called "investment allowances" gave, in effect, a subsidy to industrialists who undertook new investment.

There is reason to believe now that industrialists were already planning to increase their capital investment before Mr Butler introduced his incentive. Investment that was originally planned because industrialists foresaw an expansion of demand for their products was thus given an additional boost—too big a boost, as it turned out.

**Upsurge**

A FEW figures (necessarily related) illustrate this. The total area of industrial building started in the first half of 1955 was two-fifths larger than a year earlier, and production of metal-working machine tools was higher in value by 15 per cent. At mid-year, orders on hand in the machine tool industry were 32 per cent higher than a year previously, and by the end of September approvals for new factory buildings were up by 45 per cent.

This upsurge of capital investment had already begun to have an inflationary effect by the end of 1954. To deal with this, the authorities raised the Bank Rate in January last year and again the next month. But this was not sufficient, and Mr

Butler was forced to introduce a supplementary Budget in October in an effort to restrain consumption.

But a boom once started is not easy to control. The aim of policy is to keep the national economy on an even keel. This calls for fine judgment; the danger that must always be guarded against is that any action taken to correct a list might tip the boat over in the opposite direction. And no one wants to swap inflation for deflation.

Mr Macmillan had this well in mind when he framed his recent anti-inflationary measures. What he has tried to do is to restrict capital investment by the Government, by nationalised industries and by private industries, to what the nation can afford.

**Reductions**

THE public-owned industries—fuel and power, transport, civil aviation and broadcasting—have accepted reductions in their 1956 investment plans amounting in all to £260 million. The central Government will spend £20 million less in 1956 on capital account. Local authorities must restrict their capital expenditure to essential projects.

Private investment plans will be affected by dearer and scarcer credit. The bank squeeze on advances will continue, and interest rates have risen in line with the higher Bank Rate. Applications to raise public loans will be critically scrutinised. In addition, the Chancellor has withdrawn the State subsidy on investment by abolishing the investment allowances.

Everyone regrets the need to slow down the pace of Britain's investment in such things as factories, power plants, roads, and so on. These things are urgently needed if the country is to hold its position in a highly competitive world. But the present rate of investment could lead Britain into economic disaster; and a strategic withdrawal now may prevent a disorderly retreat later on.

**Doubts**

DOUBTS remain, as they always will. Mr Harold Wilson, the Labour Party's shadow Chancellor, accused the Government of selling the nation's "seed corn." But he did not quarrel with the Chancellor's decision to cut capital investment; only with his refusal not to differentiate between essential and non-essential investment.

The word "cut" is, in itself, misleading. The intention is not to reduce capital investment below its present level but to slow the pace of its rise. Private industries planned to spend about £1,800 million more on capital investment this year than they did in 1955. The actual amount that the nationalised industries planned to spend this year on new development is not known, but it is estimated that the £260 million "cut" in these plans will bring their total capital expenditure back close to what it was last year.

If it is the Government's intention to ensure that capital expenditure this year is no

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## BADMINTON

# EDDIE CHOONG FAVOURED TO RETAIN ALL-ENGLAND SINGLES TITLE

London, Mar. 8.

Little Eddie Choong, of Malaya, taking time out from his law studies to compete, is favourite to retain the singles title in the All-England Badminton Championships being played at the Empress Hall here from March 14 to 17.

Though he has had little time for practice, he achieved a great performance in beating F. Sonnevile, the Indonesian star, last week-end. Sonnevile, who comes from Java and is studying at Amsterdam University, provided a major upset last year when he beat Wong Peng-soon, four times All-England winner, in the semi-final of the Malayan Championship and went on to win the title.

Choong beat Sonnevile with comparative ease and on form, he is the obvious choice for the title, which he won in 1949 and 1954.

Choong and Sonnevile are in different halves of the draw, which was announced today. Choong, in the bottom half, after a first round bye will meet M. B. Rawlings, a left-handed Derbyshire county player in the second round.

In the top half, Sonnevile has a first round match against English international H. J. Wingfield.

There are four Malaysians in the singles draw, but there may be one or two more students who are competing in the qualifying tournaments, the winners of which will not be known until Saturday.

## SEEDED PLAYERS

Seeded players in order of draw are: F. Kohbero (Denmark), Ong Poh-lim (Malaya), P. A. Sonnevile (Indonesia), B. Glans (Sweden), D. F. McTaggart (Canada), J. C. Alston (United States), L. Ekedahl (Sweden) and E. B. Choong (Malaya).

Ong Poh-lim has a first round bye and then meets H. T. Findlay (Britain) in the second round. He is in the top quarter of the draw in which he will probably clash with Kohbero for a place in the last four.

Sonnevile, who won the Dutch title in his first European appearance, is in the next quarter and faces Ong's way to the last four.

In the same half of the draw L. T. Lee (Malaya) has a first round match with O. Meritz (Denmark).

The outstanding first round clash is that between Ooi Teik-hock (Malaya) and J. Hammergaard Hansen (Denmark), which is in the second half of the draw.

Eddie Choong, was confident of winning the Championship for the third time. Speaking in an almost inaudible voice because of tonsillitis, he told Reuters he was very pleased with his form against Sonnevile and he thought he had a good chance of winning. —Reuters.

## John Landy Out To Improve Own World Mile Mark

Melbourne, March 8. John Landy, of Australia, is confident he will break his own world mile record in the Australian amateur athletic Championships at the Olympic Park cinder track here on Saturday.

He said after completing his training that he was as fit as possible and hoped to clock close to 3 minutes 57 seconds. "I'll do something sensational in the mile providing conditions are good," he said. —China Mail Special.

## FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CUP

## Lowly Placed Spurs Beats West Ham 2-1 In Sixth Round Replay

London, Mar. 8.

Tottenham Hotspur, lowly-placed London First Division side, qualified to meet Manchester City at Villa Park, Birmingham in the English Football Association Cup semi-final on March 17 by beating Second Division, West Ham United 2-1 in the sixth round replay here today.

Tottenham's outside-right scored the first goal just on half time.

Centre-forward Billy Dart equalised for the home side after 65 minutes and Len Duquemin scored the winner for Spurs seven minutes later.

## A GOAL DOWN

West Ham were unlucky to be a goal down at half-time after dominating the game. A capacity 30,000 crowd saw the West Ham inside forwards

play great football, well supported by their wing-halves. Spurs took control in the second half, but Dart headed a brilliant goal to equalise.

The Second Division side looked like springing a surprise, and Spurs were made to defend desperately. In a quick breakaway however, Duquemin cracked in the winner from a scramble near goal. —Reuters.

## WISE CHILD IS NATIONAL ENTRY



Grand National entry Wise Child showed his stamina by running second to Linwell in the testing Midway Memorial Handicap Steeplechase at Sandown Park on January 21. The horse ridden here by G. Milburn, is owned by Wing Commander R. E. Stevenson. The Grand National will be run at Aintree on March 24. —Reuterphoto.

## Tomorrow's Chances At The Valley

By "RAPIER"

The Hongkong Jockey Club's Eighth Race Meeting of the current season will again be a two-day affair, the first half to be run tomorrow afternoon and the latter half the following Saturday.

There are ten races each day on the programme, with the first saddling bell at 1.30 p.m. and the curtain raiser event set for 2 p.m.

The main event of the afternoon will be the Victoria Peak Handicap for Class 1 ponies from the 2-Mile Post.

Racegoers will be glad to learn that Peter Plumby, the joint Champion Jockey, will again be donning colours this meeting, being fully recovered from injuries sustained in a racing accident on the Third Day of the Annual Race Meeting.

Here are my estimates of the chances:

**FIRST RACE**  
Windy Gap Handicap (First Section): Six Furlongs.

The opening race of the day is confined to Class 9 ponies to be ridden by riders who have not won ten races anywhere at any time.

Mourne (Andrew Lam) came third in the Western Handicap over this distance with P. Plumby up on the first day of the Annual Meeting and in my opinion should win this race though stiff opposition is expected from Annapola (Andrew Chan) which has shown glimpses of coming into peak form.

Other ponies with a good chance in this event are Zerimar (K. Sih) and Tune-phone (Herbert Lee) in view of the shorter distance.

V. I. P. (Alex Lam) is a good outsider to follow.

**SECOND RACE**  
Mount Nelson Handicap: 11/16.

The race will be contested by Class 7 ponies.

Invincible (Andrew Lam) will, without doubt, be the slightly fancied pony in this event after its easy win over the mile in 1.47-2/5 at the last meeting.

I think its closest rival is Gay Sire (A. Ostroff) which is in fine form at the moment and should give Invincible the fight of its life for the first position.

Orange Beauty (Edwin Mok) should receive some attention as it is ready for a good effort and is a sound place bet.

Souvenir (Albert Lam) has demonstrated plenty of urge to run and should be able to challenge the favourites here.

**THIRD RACE**  
Wheatley Park Handicap (First Section): One Mile.

First Lady (P. Plumby) is certainly the one to watch in this event, especially if you should remember how the combination came from behind to win the Encouragement Handicap (First Section) over this distance on the second day of the Annual Race Meeting, while

Quizette, which will be taken out by M. Samarcq tomorrow, if it doesn't lay behind at the start should be well in at the finish.

Other notable contenders for honours are Rowancliff (K. Kwok), Fair Play (R. Wong) and Turf Heroine (V. H. Oliveira).

**FOURTH RACE**  
Victoria Peak Handicap: From 2-Mile Post.

This is the main event of the afternoon.

## Keith Burch Goes Under 4:30 For The Mile

By "REORDER"

Lt. Keith Burch of the Essex Regiment lowered the Colony Mile record for the third time in 18 months when he ran the distance in 4 minutes 27.4 seconds at Boundary Street yesterday in a special event at the Royal Army Medical Corps Athletic Championships.

Conditions were not ideal, but were fair enough. There was a cold breeze blowing and the track was on the loose side. Burch took the lead after some 240 yards and held on to it all through, increasing the gap that separated him from Lt. P. J. R. Alderton of the Essex and LAC Keith Martin of RAF Mount Davis as the race went on.

Alderton finished second in approximately 4:33 with Martin not far behind. Burch covered the first lap in 05.3 seconds, the second in 07.5, the third in 08.9 and the last in 05.5 seconds. All three timekeepers caught him in exactly 4 minutes 27.4 seconds.

The RAMC meeting itself turned up an exceptional performance by current J. Hunter of the British Military Hospital who cleared 5 feet 8 inches in the High Jump, 21 feet 3/4 inches in the Long Jump, ran the 100 Yards in 10.8 seconds and the 220 Yards in 24.0 seconds.

General Hospital had two individual winners in Pte. Carpenter (Shot Put) and Pte. Fuller (440 Yards) and also won the Tug of War, but scored enough points to win the Team Championship.

On conclusion of the meet Mrs. Blaise, wife of Maj. S. W. Blaise, ADMS, HQLE, distributed the prizes and in turn received a bouquet from Miss Caroline Buchanan, daughter of Maj. A. M. Buchanan, RAMC.

## THE RESULTS

Following were yesterday's results:

**Shot Put**  
1. Pte. Carpenter (33 GH); 2. L/Cpl. Beer (26 FDS); 3. L/Cpl. Sivell (18 FA). Dist: 31 ft. 7 1/2 ins.

**800 Yards**  
1. Ctn. Jackson (18 FA); 2. L/Cpl. Vaughan (33 GH); 3. Sgt. Christian (33 GH). Time: 2 mins. 9 secs.

**Long Jump**  
1. Capt. Hunter (BMH); 2. Pte. Griffiths (26 FDS); 3. Major Provan (33 GH). Dist: 21 ft. 5 1/2 ins.

**100 Yards**  
1. Capt. Hunter (BMH); 2. Sgt. Judge (33 GH); 3. Pte. Hitt (33 GH). Time: 10.6 secs.

**Discus**  
1. L/Cpl. Beer (26 FDS); 2. Cpl. Maddock (33 GH); 3. L/Cpl. Sivell (18 FA). Dist: 90 ft. 8 ins.

**Veterans' Race**  
1. Lt. Col. Sullivan; 2. Sgt. Carr; 3. Col. Blaise.

**280 Yards**  
1. Capt. Hunter (BMH); 2. Pte. Hitt (33 GH); 3. Lt. Gilbert (18 FA). Time: 24 secs.

**One Mile**  
1. Ctn. Jackson (18 FA); 2. Pte. Darnon (33 GH); 3. L/Cpl. Vaughan (33 GH). Time: 5 mins. 5.6 secs.

**High Jump**  
1. Capt. Hunter (BMH); 2. Pte. Page (26 FDS); 3. Pte. Green (33 GH). Height: 5 ft. 8 ins.

**Ladies' Race**  
1. Maureen Kavan; 2. Mrs. Munren; 3. Mrs. Wiseman.

**Hand Race**  
1. Bdsrn. Porrius; 2. Bdsrn. Williams; 3. Bdsrn. Markell.

**Children's Race**  
**Boys'**  
1. Nell Gordon; 2. Rodney Hine; 3. Martin Hills.

**Girls'**  
1. Joan Munren; 2. Barbara Sullivan; 3. Yvonne West.

**Tug of War**  
1. 33 GH; 2. 18 FA. Two straight pulls.

**440 Yards**  
1. Pte. Fuller (33 GH); 2. L/Cpl. Parfitt (18 FA); 3. L/Cpl. Watson (18 FA). Time: 58 secs.

**Open Mile**  
1. Lt. K. Burch (Essex Regt.); 2. Lt. Alderton (Essex Regt.); 3. LAC Martin (RAF). Time: 4

mins. 27.4 secs. (Colony Records).

**Team Championship**  
1. 33 GH (110 pts.); 2. 18 FA (108 pts.); 3. BMH (80 pts.); 4. 26 FDS (60 pts.).

**UNCLE SAM AFTER JOE**  
So Louis Turns Wrestler For \$100,000

Washington, Mar. 8. The former Heavyweight boxing Champion, Joe Louis, has accepted a \$100,000 offer to become a professional wrestler, promoter Ray Fabiana announced today.

Fabiana said Louis would make his wrestling debut here on March 16. The Brown Bomber has been secretly working out for a month to see if he could make the grade as a grappler, the promoter added.

Fabiana said he had guaranteed Louis \$100,000 for one year in a series of matches throughout the East. The former champ, who previously had rejected all offers to enter the wrestling game, apparently reconsidered because of tax troubles with the Federal government.

"Joe will make a great wrestler," said Fabiana. "A lot of people don't realize it, but he was one of the strongest Heavyweight Champions in history. He could handle men much bigger than himself in the clinches and really tossed them around." —United Press.

**Limber Hill Wins Cheltenham Gold Cup By Four Lengths**

Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, Mar. 8. Limber Hill, heavily backed 11-8 favourite, jumped brilliantly to win the £4,405 sterling Cheltenham Gold Cup steeplechase today over three and a quarter miles.

Jockey Jimmy Power tracked the pace-setting outsider Cruchan for most of the race and sent Limber Hill into the lead with two fences to jump. The nine-year-old gelding, owned and bred by Lincolnshire farmer Mr. Jim Davey, raced clear to win by four lengths from the 50-1 outsider Vigor, ridden by Frenchman Rene Emery.

The Contessa di Sani, Elias' Halloween (100-8) just rubbed Cruchan in the post for third place, a length and half further away.

Halloween was gaining a place for the fourth successive year in this championship test of steeplechasing in which all eleven runners carried equal weight of 168 lbs. —China Mail Special.

**DEAR OLD PALS**  
English Steel FC and Radcliffe Borough FC are the best of friends in the South-East Lancashire League, but their Cup tie has become such a drawn out affair that they are heartily tired of the sight of each other. Four times they have met without a definite result being reached and in addition they have played a goalless draw in the League. Five drawn matches in seven Saturdays!

## THE GAMBOLS

by Barry Appleby



YESTERDAY AFTERNOON I WAS DARLING, IT'S SOUVLY TO SEE YOU DOWNSTAIRS AGAIN. I'VE MADE YOU A LONELY FIRE.



OH! THIS IS THE LIFE! I'VE ALWAYS LONGED FOR IT!



BEING TIRED OF READING 'DO NOT WANT' I WANT TO PLAY GOLF WITH YOU.



I'M SO BORED I'LL GO MAD!













# INVESTMENT DWINDES ON THE MARKET

I thought the Financial Secretary's remarks about the tunnel last week might have affected Yaumati, particularly when the China Mail published the news on Saturday that the sale of part of the military lands in the

British Steamship	\$12.50
United Engineers Ord.	\$5.00 ed
Wearne Bros.	\$2.50
—China Mail Special.	

Match .....	1540-1545
May .....	1541-1545
July .....	1542-1545
Spot .....	1543-1545
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